





## ANNOUNCING The U.S. Department of State Middle East Partnership Initiative Legal and Business Fellowship Program

The Legal and Business Fellowship Program (LBFP) is an initiative of the U.S. Department of State's Middle East Partnership Initiative (MEPI) and will provide young women in business and law needed skills and experience to help them grow as professionals and advocate for an improved investment climate and legal reforms.

The six-month program will be conducted in the United States from mid-March 2007 to early September 2007. Eligible applicants will be considered through a transparent, merit-based process that will identify leaders with strong English language skills who demonstrate maturity, flexibility, and commitment to their professional goals.

## Eligibility requirements include:

- Is female and between the ages of 22 and 32 and who is a citizen, permanent resident or national of Qatar;
- Is eligible for a J-1 visa;
- Is a recipient of 1) an undergraduate degree or the equivalent in business or law from a recognized academic institution not in the U.S., OR 2) an undergraduate degree in any field with at least three years' business experience;
- Has a strong academic background and proficiency in written and spoken English with a minimum Institutional TOEFL (ITP) score of 550 ( please contact AMIDEAST offices for information on ITP test dates);
- Demonstrates maturity, flexibility and suitability to operate successfully in an American corporate environment, leadership potential, a commitment to professional growth in the business sector of their economies; and
- Demonstrates a sufficient level of information technology knowledge and word processing ability to operate in a U.S. business; and
- Can begin the program in the U.S. on March 15, 2007.

The application is available online at <a href="http://www.amideast.org/LBFP">http://www.amideast.org/LBFP</a>. The deadline for the application is **December 27, 2006**. For more information, please contact:

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